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A METHOD OF SCREENING FOR A DRUG THAT IS USED FOR PREVENTING AND TREATING CARDIAC FAILURE, THE DRUG CONTAINING ASKI INHIBITOR AS AN ACTIVE INGREDIENT (as

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 2-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 4, 2007, said period of response being extended from January 4, 2008 to March 4, 2008.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-3478 in the amount of \$460 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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